

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1304 - HB 1404

May 5, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Adds a new aggravating circumstance for punishment of first degree murder to elevate penalty to life without parole or death where the victim was particularly defenseless due to a severe handicap or disability.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$49,000/Incarceration*

Assumes one conviction every three years receiving a sentence of life without parole rather than a life sentence.

**Section 9-6-119, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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